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20th April, 1959.COCOM Document No. 3488ECOORDINATING COMMITTEERECORD OF DISCUSSIONONPROPOSED FRENCH SALE OF NATURAL URANIUM AND NUCLEAR GRAPHITE TO POLAND13th and 16th April 1959

Present: Belgium(Luxembourg), Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM Documents Nos. 3395 and 3447.

1. The CHAIRMAN recalled that during the present meeting three delegations, the Canadian, Japanese and the United States Delegations, were to make known their Governments' position on the principle of continuing the negotiations between the French Government and Poland with a view to the sale of natural uranium and nuclear graphite to the latter country.
2. The JAPANESE Delegate stated that he had been instructed to say that his Government had no objection to the sale of the products concerned to Poland, provided that the necessary safeguards for this transaction were obtained by the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna.
3. The UNITED STATES Delegate first expressed his gratitude for the additional time granted by the French Government to enable his authorities to examine this important matter which, as he had already explained (COCOM Doc. No. 3447, paragraph 8), created a special problem for them because of United States legislation. After a thorough study of the abovementioned juridical question, the United States Government had decided to raise no objection to the transaction contemplated, provided that it were carried out in accordance with the stipulations of Article XII of the International Atomic Energy Agency's Statutes, and that the safeguards required under the terms of that Article were incorporated in the contract to be concluded. The Delegate explained that the conditions he had just described would have to be met before his Government would be able to give their formal agreement.
4. The CANADIAN Delegate stated that, after a thorough study of the matter, his Government had decided not to raise objection to the proposed French export, provided that the transaction contemplated were carried out in accordance with the terms of Article XII of the International Atomic Energy Agency's Statutes.
5. On the 16th April, the BELGIAN Delegate confirmed that his Government had no objection to the French proposal, provided that the peaceful end-use of the products concerned were duly controlled through the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna.
6. The FRENCH Delegate thanked the various delegations for the replies just given and recalled that, as stated in COCOM Doc. No. 3395, control of the end-use of the products concerned would be entrusted to the Interna-

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tional Atomic Energy Agency, whose task it would be to apply the safeguards appearing in the contract in accordance with the terms of Article XII of its Statutes.

7. The COMMITTEE noted that agreement had been reached on the principle of continuing negotiations between the French Government and Poland under the conditions indicated during the discussion of this question. The French Delegation furthermore undertook to keep the Committee informed of developments in these negotiations.

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